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YEARS OF GREENVILLE'S PROGRESS

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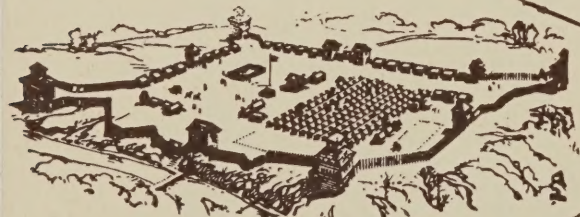
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Greenville is privileged to be the county seat of Darke County, which ranks among the richest agricultural areas in the United States. In 1957, an Ohio Chamber of Commerce report reveals, the value of farm products sold in Darke County totaled \$26,586,000.00.

The agricultural wealth of the county is reflected in retail stores in Greenville. During the past year, gross sales amounted to \$25,027,000.00.

Greenville has a total of 204 thriving retail outlets and is now in a period of industrial growth. The city's 36 industries employ more than 2,400 persons.

Modern schools, supervised playgrounds, a community park and swimming pool, two golf courses, a hospital and churches of more than 18 denominations round out a typical American community.

As Greenville celebrates its sesquicentennial, we believe that the thousands of anticipated visitors will concur in the general feeling that the past 150 years have truly been "years of progress" and that Greenville really enjoys its present living.

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PROGRAM OF EVENTS FOR

"150 Years of Progress" CELEBRATION

SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 21

Afternoon

Darke County Fairgrounds. Gates open 12 o'clock noon.

Picnics, Reunions, Parachute Jumping, Horse Shoe Tournament, Antique Car Parade and Contests, Beard Judging.

Evening

Grand Old Opera with Minnie Pearl and others.

MONDAY - SEPTEMBER 22

Lowell Thomas Youth Day.

Broadway Business Section

Displays and projects by Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, 4-H Clubs, Future Farmers of America, Little Theatre Group, Boy's Club, National Baton Twirling Contest, Pet Parade, Youth Parade, Teenage Record Hop.

Evening at Fairgrounds

150 Years of Progress Pageant

TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 23

Annie Oakley Day

Broadway Business Section

Western Parade with Television's Annie Oakley, Gail Davis.

Evening at Fairgrounds

Beard Shaving Contest

150 Years of Progress Pageant



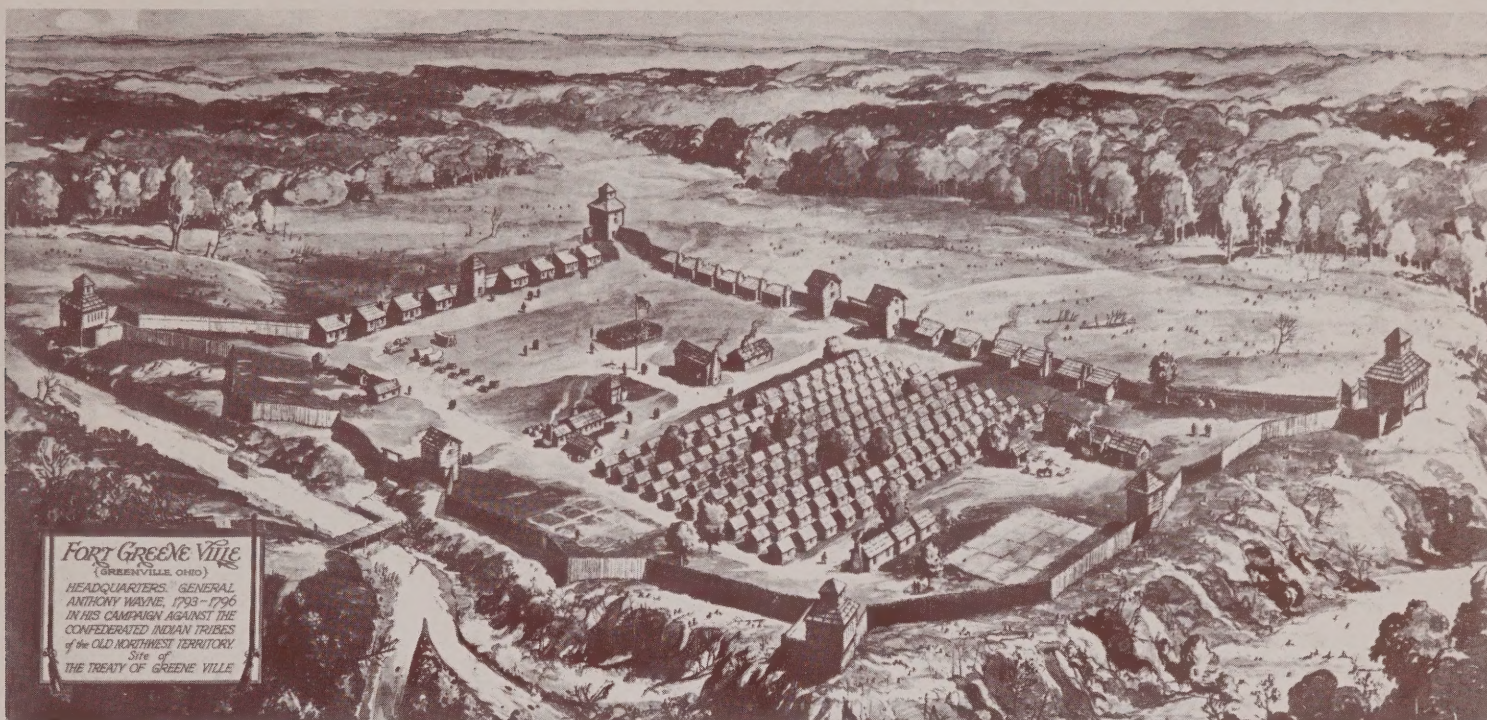
WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 24

Governor's Day

Governor's Reception - 4:00 P.M. Elks Dining Room.

7:00 P.M. - Governor's Day Parade.

8:30 at Fairgrounds - 150 Years of Progress Pageant, Band Awards and Car Giveaway.



Fort Greene Ville

It stretches the imagination to visualize a 50-acre tract of land enclosed by a wooden stockade and block-houses. But such was the size of the fort that Gen. Anthony Wayne built in 1793 at what he called "Greenville" in honor of a close friend and Revolutionary War compatriot, Gen. Nathaniel Green.

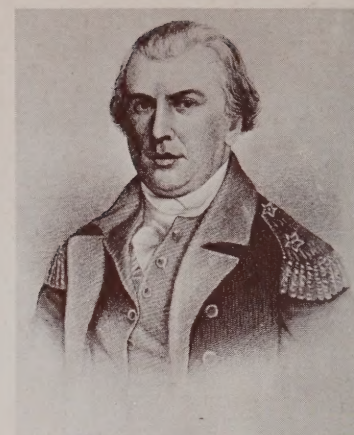
Fort Greenville, or Greene Ville as it was known for years, had a parade ground large enough for the drilling of 2,000 men and historians claim it was the largest log fort ever built during the Indian wars.

The old fort, pictured above, had its day of glory on August 3, 1795, when Gen. Wayne signed the treaty of Greene Ville with the chieftains of thirteen allied Indian tribes. The treaty opened the vast Northwest Territory to early American settlers and paved the way for the nation's coast-to-coast expansion.

It was unfortunate that no "war correspondents" covered Wayne's campaign and the signing of the historic Greenville treaty. But it must be remembered that there were no newspapers west of the Allegheny mountains and that Ohio was virtually an untracked frontier.

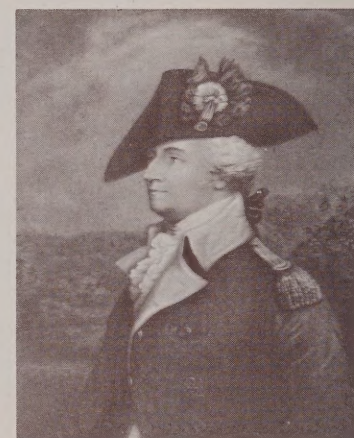
Despite the fact that Wayne's army was then the only United States army in the field, his conquest of the Indians and treaty negotiations got but little notice in the "metropolitan press" of the eastern American colonies.

It was years before the significance of the Greene Ville treaty actually dawned upon the growing American nation and it was not until recent times that it was given its due acclaim. It wasn't until 1945, a year marking the treaty's 150th anniversary, that the State of Ohio took official recognition of the document's nationwide importance.



NATHANIEL GREENE

Then, internationally known artist Howard Chandler Christy was commissioned by the Ohio legislature to paint a picture of the treaty signing. His \$25,000 painting now hangs in the rotunda of the state capitol at Columbus. Pictured below is a model of the painting, which is on display at the Darke County Historical Museum here.



ANTHONY WAYNE



SITE OF FORT GREENE VILLE
SUPERIMPOSED OVER MAP CONTAINING
ORIGINAL CITY OF GREENVILLE
PLAT, ISSUED SEPT., 1808

The City of Greenville, like old Fort Greene Ville, derived its name from Gen. Nathaniel Greene, a comrade in arms of Gen. Anthony Wayne during the Revolutionary War.

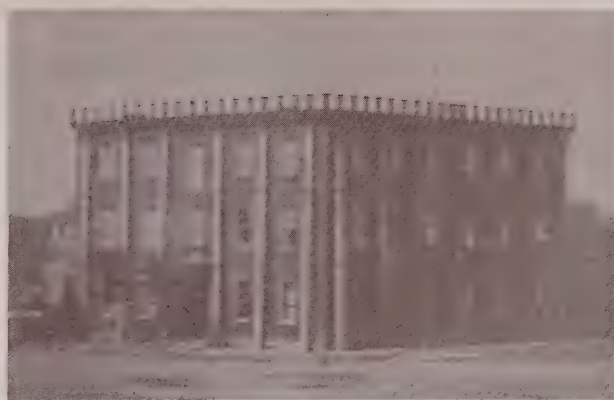
The treaty of Greene Ville opened the adjacent land to survey and settlement, but fully ten years passed before prospectors and home-seekers found their way here through the wilderness. The honor of making the first settlement is ascribed to a man named Scribner, who in 1806 established a trading post in what is now Greenville Township.

Fort Greene Ville had been abandoned and burned ten years earlier and until 1808, the fort site was given over to forces of nature. Then, two engineer-surveyors, John Devor and Robert Gray, laid out the original town of ninety-six lots, grouped around a public square.

During the ensuing year, or on January 3, 1809, Darke County was separated from Miami County and Greenville became the county seat and principal marketing center of the new county.

Greenville's growth was slow, with the population in 1846 only about 800. It wasn't until 1900 that it officially attained the status of a city, with 5,501 residents.

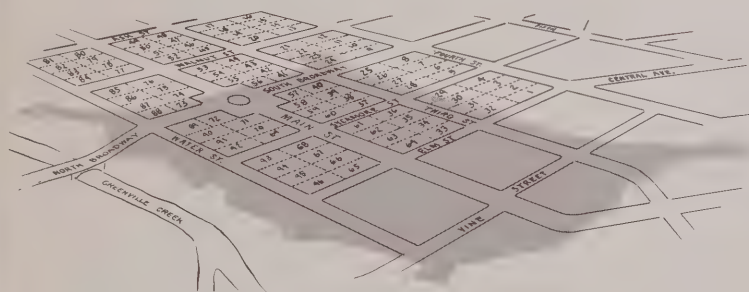
Since then, the population has steadily increased. The 1950 federal census figure was



JAMES HOTEL - ABOUT 1808

8,820, and a special census taken by the Ohio Department of Liquor control in August, 1956, raised the total to 9,418.

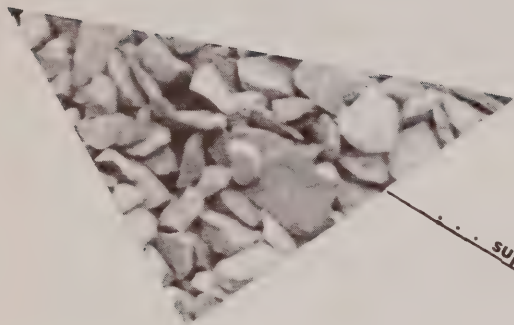
During the current year, the Ohio Department of Health estimated Greenville's population at 9,638 and by the time of the 1960 federal census, it is expected to be well over 10,000. In fact, the addition of "fringe area" residents at the present time would exceed the 10,000 mark.



RIES BLACKSMITH SHOP

Left to right John Hamilton, John Devor, Johnathan Gilbert, James Ries, John Lohmann, Geo. W. Roser, Sam Rothhaas, John Siebert, Charles Siebert, Osborn Wilson and Frazer E. Wilson.





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Statement of Condition

February 13, 1900

| ASSETS | |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Loans | \$259,425.72 |
| Stocks & Bonds | 43,331.94 |
| Banking House | None |
| Furniture & Fixtures | 830.00 |
| Cash & Due from Banks | 76,465.08 |
| Other Assets | 1,575.00 |
| Total | \$381,627.74 |

| LIABILITIES | |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| Capital Stock | \$100,000.00 |
| Surplus & Undivided Profits | 34,707.36 |
| Deposits | 213,090.38 |
| Other Liabilities | 33,830.00 |
| Total | \$381,627.74 |

Statement of Condition

June 23, 1958

| ASSETS | |
|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Loans | \$5,797,312.24 |
| Stocks & Bonds | 4,052,433.08 |
| Banking House | 38,542.62 |
| Furniture & Fixtures | 4,424.35 |
| Cash & Due from Banks | 1,286,305.16 |
| Other Assets | 2,532.40 |
| Total | \$11,181,549.85 |

| LIABILITIES | |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| Capital Stock | \$ 200,000.00 |
| Surplus & Undivided Profits | 1,261,189.74 |
| Deposits | 9,720,360.11 |
| Total | \$11,181,549.85 |

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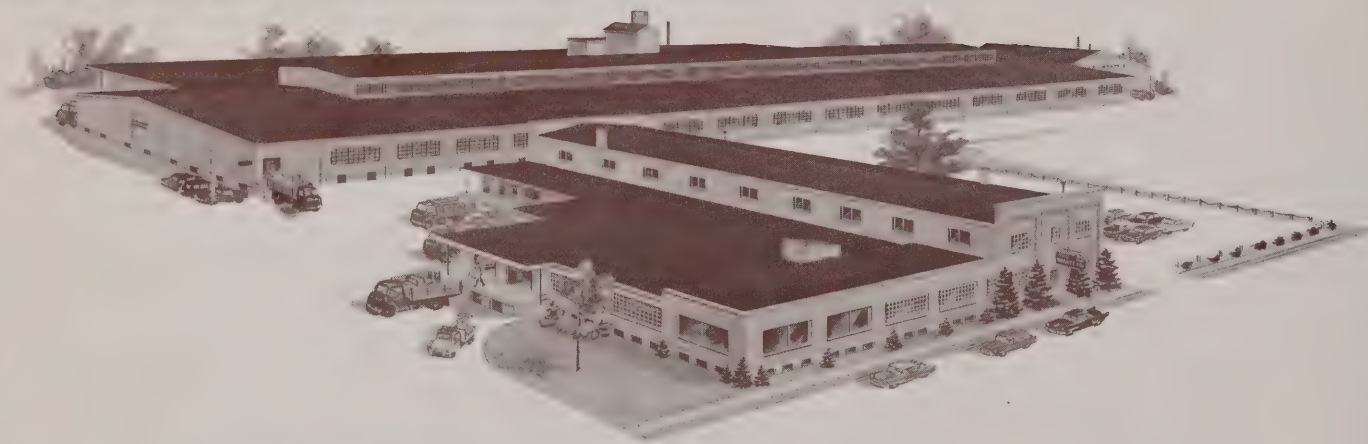
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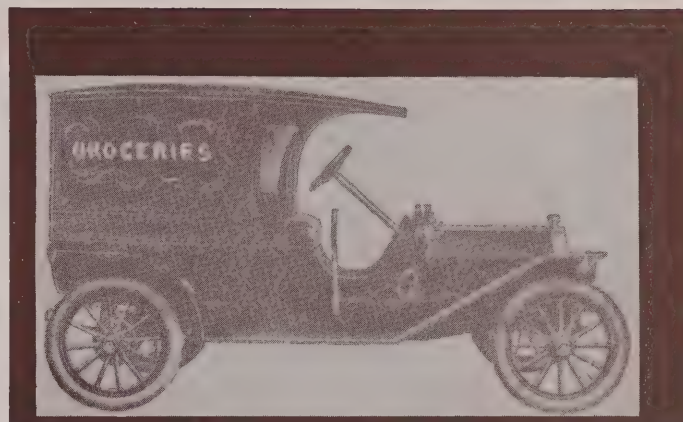
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Points of Interest

- **Treaty Stone** — The above treaty stone on West Main Street, near the Public Square circle, was within the confines of old Fort Greene Ville and some historians believe that its site marks the actual spot of the headquarters of Gen. Anthony Wayne.
- **Darke County Historical Museum** — Located on North Broadway. Was old Garst home-
stead.
- **Memorial Stone** — At corner of West Third and Chestnut Streets, marking burial ground of Wayne's army.
- **Wayne Hospital** — On Sweitzer Street (Routes 49 and 127) which added \$600,000 addition in 1957.
- **Pioneer Stockade** — On East Water Street at entrance to Greenville Memorial State Park.
- **Altar of Peace** — Which overlooks Greenville Memorial State Park. Council fire lighted there each year in commemoration of Greenville treaty.
- **City Park** — With its many recreational facilities, playgrounds and picnic sites.
- **Unknown Soldier** — Grave lies within shadows of Soldier's Monument in Greenville city cemetery.



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Darke County Historical Museum

Historically minded visitors to Greenville during the four-day period, Sept. 21-24, will find a bonanza of relics, mementos and antiques at their fingertips.

The Darke County Historical Society's museum on North Broadway will be open daily from 1 to 5 P.M. for conducted tours.

Familiarly known as the Garst homestead to most Darke County residents, the museum, shown above, is a show-place in itself. Since it was deeded outright to the Historical Society more than 10 years ago, it has been developed



into a center of early Ohio lore, with its collection of relics of the Indian wars along the then western American frontier, one of the most imposing that can be found anywhere.

The museum, or Garst house, was erected in 1852. In 1861, it was sold to John Hufnagke, who gave it to his daughter, Mrs. Miranda Garst. The Historical Society received the house, as a gift from the Garst heirs, in 1946, and the present museum was opened to the public on June 19, 1949.

Congratulations to Greenville
for "150 Years of Progress"



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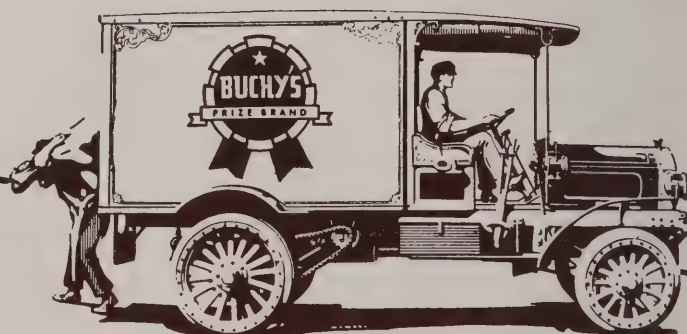




SOUTH BROADWAY - 1858



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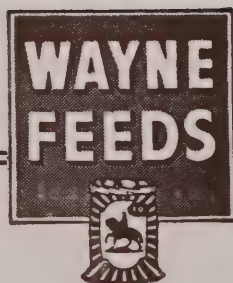
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The legend of the Treaty of old Fort Greene Ville takes on more color and significance each summer as Boy Scouts from throughout the Miami Valley Scout Council area, other parts of Ohio and neighboring states, gather in Greenville Memorial State Park for an annual three-day Treaty Camporee.

Founded fourteen years ago by the Greenville Rotary Club to commemorate the historic Greenville Treaty, the Camporees have steadily grown in stature. As a result, Greenville, during mid-June each year, has become recognized as the Boy Scout capital of the nation.

History relates that negotiations for the Greenville Treaty between Gen. Anthony Wayne and the chieftains of allied Indian tribes began on June 14, 1795. They were successfully concluded with

the actual treaty signing on August 3 of that year. Gen. Wayne lighted a council fire in old Fort Greene Ville as the Indian chiefs began arriving and it burned continuously until after the treaty signing. Each year, Boy Scouts also kindle a council fire as their camporees begin. It likewise burns continuously until the treaty anniversary date.

Pictured here are two familiar sites in Greenville Memorial State Park. One is a pioneer stockade, leading into the park from E. Water Street, which is a miniature replica of the early forts built in Ohio, then the nation's westernmost frontier. The other shows scouts kindling their council fire at the Altar of Peace, which overlooks Memorial Park.

GREENVILLE'S UNKNOWN SOLDIER MONUMENT

One of Greenville's most hallowed shrines lies within the shadows of a Soldier's Monument in the city cemetery. There rest the remains of nearly 100 veterans of the nation's six major conflicts, including the Revolutionary War of 1776. The bivouac of the dead, pictured at left, also includes an "unknown soldier" of Gen. Anthony Wayne's army which campaigned out of old Fort Greene Ville in 1793-95.

Gen. Wayne enjoyed many years of life after the signing of the Greenville treaty in 1795 and is buried in Pennsylvania, but many of his men found their last resting places in Greenville. At the corner of West Third and Chestnut Streets is a memorial stone marking the burial ground of Wayne's army.

For several years, an organization known as the Wayne Legion has commemorated the Greenville Treaty anniversary date, August 3, by placing a wreath or garland of flowers on the memorial stone, also pictured here. John E. Stephenson, national commander of the Wayne Legion, represented the organization at one of its last ceremonies here. Stephenson, a Darke County Ohio native, then lived at Indianapolis.

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"Family Portrait - 1926"

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Greenville has a stepdaughter claim in the Oakley story, as Annie died here in November, 1926, after one of the most remarkable, specialized entertainment careers that has ever been known.

Annie, whose family name was Moses, was born in the northwestern part of Darke County. The family was large and she, being one of the oldest of the children, helped to provide food by shooting and trapping wild game, including pheasants, quail, rabbits and squirrel.

These she disposed of in Greenville and neighboring towns and before long her fame as a marks-woman attracted the attention of influential people in metropolitan areas, including Cincinnati. It led to a career on the old vaudeville circuits and then in 1885 to a top-billing spot in one of the greatest thrill shows of all time, Buffalo Bill Cody's Wild West Show.

Annie toured with the show for seventeen years, visiting Europe on several occasions. Her performances there included command appearances before the crowned heads of several nations, including Kaiser Wilhelm I of Germany. One of her close friends and fellow showmen was the famed Sioux Indian chief Sitting Bull. It was he who gave her the name of "Little Sure Shot".

Annie's mortal remains now rest in the rather obscure old Brock Cemetery, near her birthplace, far from the star-spangled scenes of her stage and big-top triumphs. But through the medium of the motion picture screen, radio and television, her legend and deeds seem destined to live forever.



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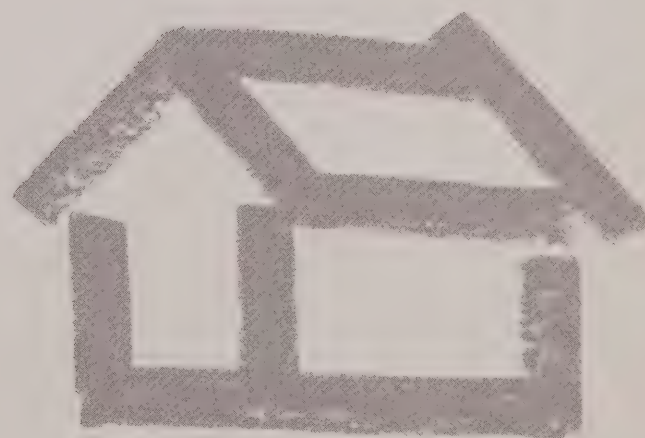
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ACT 1

The First 50 Years

1808-1858

Men of the wilderness
The Old Fort
The Dreamer
Frontier Frolic
Surveyors
The Christening
The Planners
Industry
Store on Wheels
New Blood
Boom Town
The Law, Religion and the School

ACT 2

The Second 50 Years

1858-1908

The Drummer & the Merchant
Civic Pride
Ballet of the Young Men
The First Darke County Fair
The Iron Horse
A Carload of Culture
Merchant turns Traveler
Little Sure Shot
The Hero
The Vindication of Col. Bill Felton

ACT 3

The Third 50 Years

1908-1958

Greenville is growing up
The "Traction"
The Horseless Carriage
What will they think of next
Gracious Living
Remembrance
Band Concert Nights
Get a Horse
To Make the World Safe
Park and Playground
Famous "Home Folks"
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A Hope
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A Song

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Musical Numbers in Act 1

"The Girl That I'll Marry"
Mr. Robert Locke
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Sweet Adeline Chorus
Men's Barbershop Chorus

Musical Numbers in Act 2

"Some Day They'll Have Horseless Carriages They Say"
"I Went To Kansas City"
"They Say That Falling in Love is Wonderful"
"You Can't Get A Man With A Gun"
Presenting Onda Lee (Corkey) Vernon
as Annie Oakley
Reprise sung by Bob Locke

Musical Numbers in Act 3

Waltz Number - - - - - "Pink Lady"
"Battle Hymn Of The Republic"
Presenting Carl Deubner & His Fife & Drum Corps
"Over The Waves"
"Waltz Me Around Again Willie"
"You'll Never Walk Alone"
Presenting Miss Elizabeth Hill and the A Cappella Choir

OVERTURE "FRONTIER DAYS"

Incidental Musical Numbers - - - - "Suite of American Dance"

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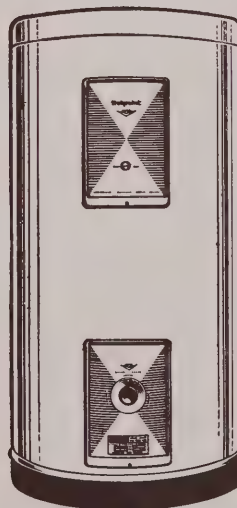


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Harry Knox — uncle of Zachary Lansdowne and graduate of U.S. Naval Academy. Before death he was commissioned as an Admiral, the highest naval rank ever held by a Greenville native.

Frazer E. Wilson — resident of Greenville during major part of life and one of founders of old Greenville Historical Society, now incorporated in Darke County Historical Society. Authority on early Ohio history and author of several outstanding books and articles on importance of Greenville treaty.

Fred D. Coppock — chairman of the Board of American Aggregates Corporation, world's largest producer of washed sand and gravel, which maintains home offices in Greenville. He has been a member of the Ohio Historical and Archaeological Society for several years. He developed and donated Greenville Memorial State Park to the State of Ohio, which in turn deeded park to Greenville city. He was the guiding hand behind American Aggregates Company's gift of the Public Square parkway circle to the city and hailed as "Mr. Greenville" at dedication of circle.

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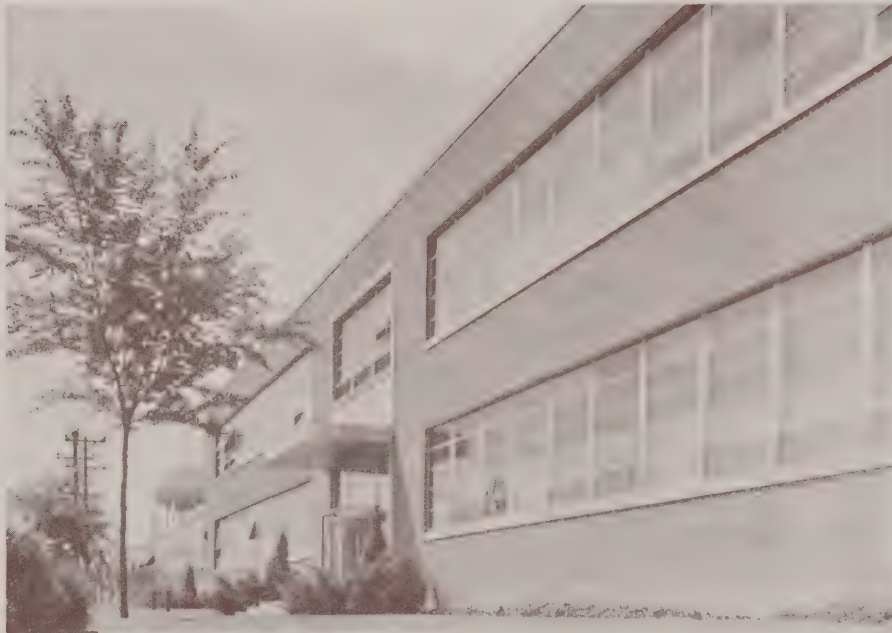
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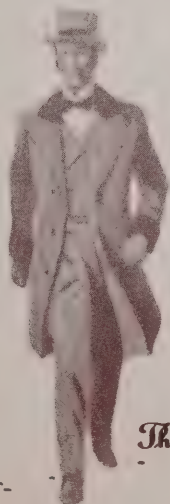
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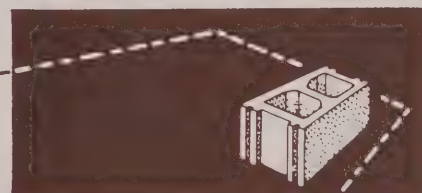
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A public subscription campaign materially advanced the project and the Harmon Foundation gave it a big boost with a donation of funds for a football field and tennis courts. The late Ed Harlow donated the ground for a 50 foot wide highway into the park area from E. Main Street and the A. J. Marling estate gave the park commission a deed to the land between the highway and Greenville Creek from East Main Street to the park proper. The Marling estate also provided funds for a shelter house and band shell. Another shelter house was built under the terms of the will of the late Harriett Dininger and the Lessie Kelsey estate supplied the necessary funds for a baseball diamond.

The park's main development came in the 1930's when a Federal agency, the Works Progress Administration, approved the park commission's application for funds to erect a stadium, build a swimming pool and other permanent facilities, including a community house and cement tennis courts.

All through the years, the Greenville city council has been one of the park's major benefactors and the city's financial assistance is evidenced by additional baseball and softball diamonds and a floodlighted horseshoe pitching court. Ohio's state championship tournament was held there this August 30 - September 1 for the second consecutive year. Fishing lakes and lagoons enhance the beauty of the park, which is open to visitors the year around.



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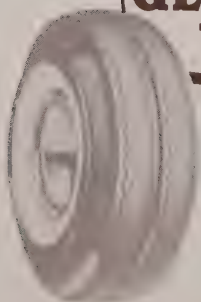


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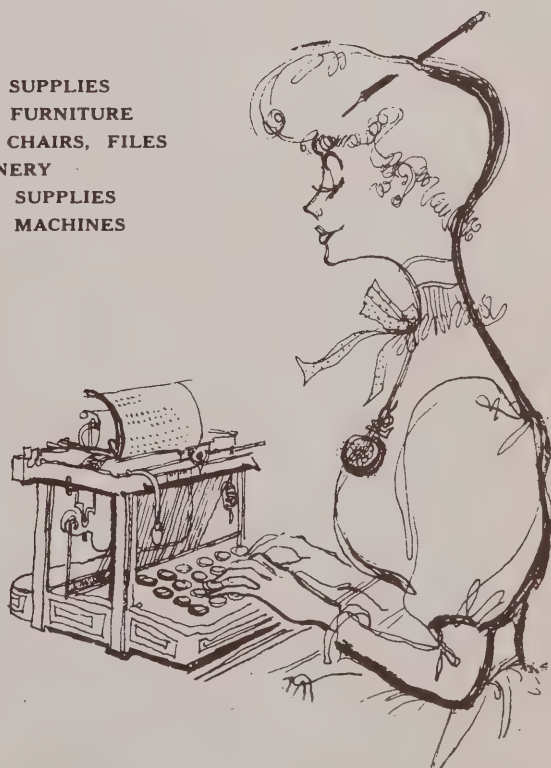
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A landmark in Greenville's main business district, the Darke County Courthouse at West Fourth Street and Broadway is the hub of the judicial and civil life of the county, including Greenville city.

Within its confines are housed the full machinery of county government and the daily functions of its many offices directly affect the lives of all county residents.

Greenville city and county health departments occupy basement offices and separate courtrooms are located on each of the three main floors. They are probate, common pleas and the newly created county court. The common pleas courtroom on the second floor is currently being remodeled at a cost of \$30,000.

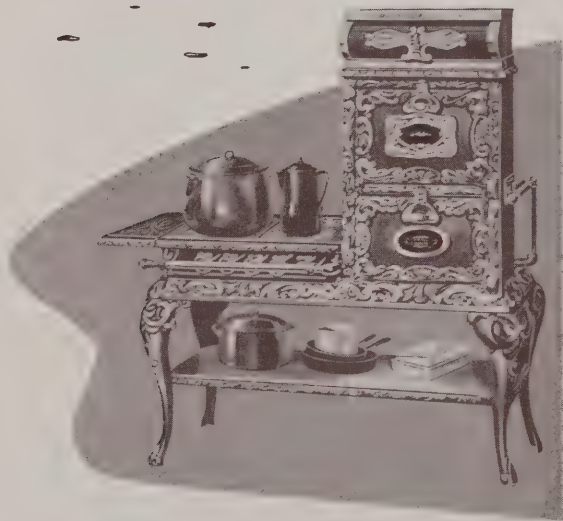
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St. Clair Memorial Hall

Long the cultural center of Greenville, St. Clair Memorial Hall on the West Fourth Street side of the high school campus was built and donated to the city by the late Henry St. Clair in 1910. Mr. St. Clair operated a wholesale grocery business in Greenville for more than a half-century. The attractive auditorium is now the center of city school activities. It houses offices of the superintendent of schools and board of education and is used for high school assembly purposes.

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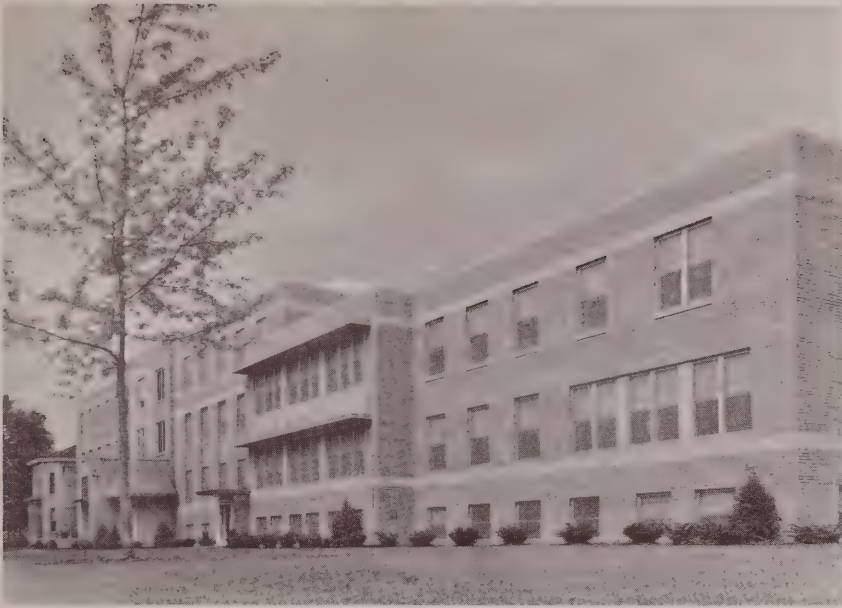
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WAYNE HOSPITAL

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Wayne Hospital now has 74 adult beds, nine pediatric beds and a bright and cheerful nursery with thirteen bassinets. The present hospital is a result of growing pains that started in 1930, when a small addition was added. Another expansion was made in 1941 and again in 1952, when a new kitchen was opened and a second elevator installed. The major improvements and expansion came during the past year when a county-wide, public subscription campaign, plus a gift from the estate of the late Major William Anderson, made possible an addition costing over \$600,000. Major Anderson, formerly of Greenville, left \$300,000 to the hospital board for a special wing to be named in honor of his mother, Ella Hart Anderson, a member of one of Darke County's prominent, early families. The Ella Hart wing is an integral part of the new, modern hospital.

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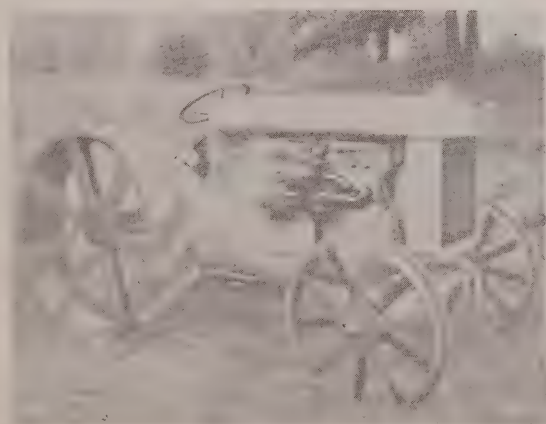


THE GREAT DARKE COUNTY FAIR

Darke County's yearly agricultural expositions have for many years been acclaimed as the "greatest county fairs on earth" and the 102nd annual show, presented August 15-22, added new lustre to that reputation.

The sprawling fairgrounds, located at the edge of Greenville on Route 49 (Sweitzer Street), has one of the fastest half-mile race tracks in the nation. During the recent 1958 fair the purses for harness racing totaled \$38,000, the highest offered at any county fair in the midwest this season.

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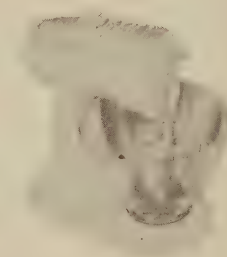
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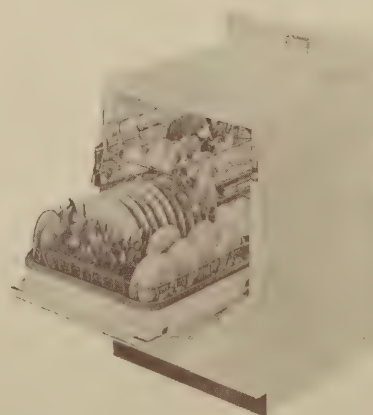
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